CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

RESOLUTION NO. R5-2005-XXXX

APPROVING INITIAL STUDY
AND
ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION
FOR
TSAR NICOULAI CAVIAR, LLC.,
AND
RALPH F. NIX REVOCABLE TRUST
TSAR NICOULAI STURGEON FARM
SACRAMENTO COUNTY

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (hereafter Regional Board) finds:

- 1. The Regional Board proposes to adopt a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit (hereafter Permit) for the disposal of wastewater to surface waters.
- 2. The Regional Board is the lead agency for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act and has conducted an Initial Study in accordance with Title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15063, entitled *Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act*.
- 3. Compliance with the permit, as discussed in the Negative Declaration, will reduce potentially significant impacts to less than significant impacts.
- 4. Copies of the Environmental Study and Negative Declaration were transmitted to or made available to all agencies and persons known to be interested in these matters.
- 5. The Regional Board received no comments regarding the proposed project, Initial Environmental Study, or proposed Negative Declaration. The Regional Board received comments from the Discharger on the tentative Waste Discharge Requirements. These comments have been considered and addressed.
- 6. The Regional Board considered all testimony and evidence at a public hearing held on _____ in Rancho Cordova, California and good cause was found to approve the Initial Study and adopt a Negative Declaration.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 21080, et seq. of the California Public Resources Code, the Regional Board, after considering the entire record, including oral testimony at the hearing:

- 1. Approves the Initial Environmental Study and adopts the Negative Declaration for the *Tsar Nicoulai Caviar*, *LLC*, *and Ralph F. Nix Revocable Trust, Tsar Nicoulai Sturgeon Farm*.
- 2. Finds the record before the Regional Board contains no substantial evidence that a fair argument has been made that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

I, THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a
full, true, and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the California Regional Water
Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on

THOMAS R. PINKOS, Executive Officer